

FALL FESTIVAL MINUTES

AUGUST 27, 2008

Attendance:

Fran & Jacque Patch, Eva Arnold, Jim & Sue Brandenburg, Sara Straub, Tom Straub, Norma Woodman, Ethel Maxworthy, Jason Rowland, Kris Wood, Les Oldenburg Jr., Mike & Margaret Palubinski, Rich LeFeber, Kathy Soderberg.

Call to Order:

Chairperson Jim Brandenburg called the meeting to order @ 7:05 PM on August 27, 2008.

Approval of Agenda:

A motion was made by Eva Arnold to approve the agenda as presented - seconded by Jacque Patch - the motion passed unanimously via a voice vote.

Approval of July 23, 2008 Minutes:

The motion was made by Fran Patch to approve the minutes as presented - seconded by Jason Rowland - motion passed unanimously via a voice vote.

Treasurer's Report:

Kris Wood credited Margaret Palubinski for putting the report together for him. He reported a balance of \$1,473.71 left in the checking account after the \$5,000 check was written to the Town for our commitment to the headstone restoration. Donations are coming in and not yet all reconciled in the report. We have a total of \$2,525 in donations to date. A treasurer's report handout was passed out. A motion was made by Jason Rowland to accept the report as presented - seconded by Norma Woodman - the motion passed unanimously via a voice vote.

Presentation by Alliant Energy:

Sara Straub (employee of Alliant) gave an overview of Alliant's program to support community fund raisers for specific projects. Our project (resurface the nature trail) is viable and could be considered for funding by Alliant for anywhere between \$500 and \$5,000. Being that our project has possibly a 3 year time frame, we will apply for funding prior to the 2010 Fall Fest. In addition she announced the \$200 support check commitment from Alliant for this year. Sara also stated that Alliant had an inventory of color books/crayons available that could be used for children's prizes for the event. We asked for 100 of the books.

Unfinished Business:

Headstone Restoration Check to the Town:

Jim Brandenburg stated that the \$5,000 check was paid to the Town of Turtle for headstone restoration. He also thanked all who participated in the nature trail maintenance.

Update on Progress from Event Chairpersons:

- Historical Hayride - Fran Patch will ask for assistance for the event.
- Food - Norma Woodman will head up the food program with assistance from Ethel Maxworthy and Jason Rowland. Kathy Soderberg has worked on the donations of food from Wal Mart (committed to a gift card available during September), cookies from Old Fashioned Bakery, Pepsi products, and chips from Frito Lay. A motion from Fran Patch to offer free food and drink throughout the day - seconded by Ethel Maxworthy - motion passed unanimously via a voice vote. Another motion by Kathy Soderberg to have a donation jar available for funding the events especially food - seconded by Kris Wood - motion passed unanimously via a voice vote.
- Jacque Patch will fashion the donation jar.
- Fire Truck Rides - Tim Huffman
- Quarter Hunt - Rich LeFeber with assistance from Tom Straub, Kris Wood, and Les Oldenburg Jr. will head up this event which will likely be the last event of the day. \$200 in quarters will be donated by Fran Patch. Ideas mentioned were corn or pea gravel filled "sand boxes" where buried quarters would be present for kids search and find. Another thought were exposed quarters along the nature trail with two groups of kids going in different directions searching for quarters.
- Smarter than a Fifth Grader - Sue Brandenburg presented her well organized ideas on the event and showed examples of questions/answers to the event. Sara Straub and Eva Arnold will assist Sue. She also displayed her thought on the sticker program for kids to cycle through the games and be presented with a prize depending on participation.
- Pie Sales - Tom Straub will contact the church to see if they again want to set up a stand for people to purchase pies for their fund raising event.
- Burlap Sack Race, Balloon Toss, and Balloon Break - Kathy Soderberg will head these events and obtain the bags (sack race) from John Lader.
- Patch Train Ride - Fran Patch will get a volunteer to drive the train.
- Kids Tractor Pull, Popcorn Machine, and Hay Bale Toss - Mike Palubinski will be asking Dick McFall for the tractor and organize the events.
- Spoon/Egg Toss - Lin Howard
- Balloon Launch - Kathy Soderberg with Margaret Palubinski assistance (make up cards with numbers to hand out to participants) to organize the event. Do at the end of the activities just before the quarter hunt?
- Byerly Balloons - Ethel Maxworthy contacted Byerlys and although they themselves will not be available they will have one person present to proceed with this activity from 1 PM - 4 PM.
- Basketball - Per Jason Rowland this is good to go.
- Advertising - Fran Patch will head up this important venue.

Next Meetings - Thursday, September 11 @ 7 PM

Wednesday, September 24 @ 7 PM

Adjournment:

Motion was made by Fran Patch to adjourn - seconded by Margaret Palubinski - motion

carried unanimously via a voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Tom Straub

**Quality in the workplace, quality of lifestyle, any quality endeavor for that matter is
a pursuit not a destination - Tom Straub**